

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 1105
By Montgomery

A RESOLUTION recognizing Daniel Rhodes King, Jr., as an
outstanding citizen of Tennessee.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who, through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence and community, have distinguished themselves in the classroom and the community; and

WHEREAS, Daniel Rhodes King, Jr., is one such exceptional citizen and student of whom we can all be proud; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Daniel King, Jr., has achieved outstanding academic success and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, in his remarkable high school career, Mr. King has earned an exemplary grade point average, and he will graduate in the top ten percent of his class; and

WHEREAS, active in many school and civic organizations, Daniel is a member of Fellowship of Christian Athletes, a member and former Secretary of the Beta Club, a member of Drama Club, member and former Secretary of Ski Club, a participant in the HOSA State Convention Speaking Competition, President of Sevier County High School DECA Club, a participant in the National South Region DECA Leadership Conference, 2006-2007 State of Tennessee DECA Club President, a Sevierville Teen Board Member and Communications Director, Chairperson of the DECA Sales Projects Committee, and a volunteer with the Muscular Dystrophy Association; and

WHEREAS, Daniel King is a guitarist for the 2005-2006 Sevier County High School Jazz Band, a testament to his artistic and musical talent and creativity; and

WHEREAS, Daniel King was also a member of the Sevier County High School Rock Climbing Team during the 2003-2004 and 2005-2006 seasons; and

WHEREAS, no stranger to honors and accolades, Daniel King was named an All-American Scholar by the United States Achievement Academy, the National Leadership and Service Award Winner, the 2004-2005 Marketing I Honor Student of the Year, the 2005-2006 Marketing II Student of the Year, the 2005-2006 Retail Operations Honor Student of the Year, the 2006 East Tennessee WBXX Student of the Six Weeks, and a 2004-2005 Sevier County High School Hugh O'Brien Top 5 Finalist; and

WHEREAS, he has received numerous citizenship awards, the DARE Award, the Top 10 Amazing Kids Channel Award, and the United States Achievement Academy Honors in English, History, and Government, and he has been honored by *Who's Who Among American High School Students* and the 2005-2006 National Society of High School Scholars; and

WHEREAS, an active member of the Boy Scouts of America, Daniel King has a Life rank and is currently pursuing the rank of Eagle Scout; he is a member of the Brotherhood, Order of the Arrow, Vice President of Venture Crew, a Chaplain Aid, Assistant Senior Patrol Leader, and a 2004 and 2005 National Boy Scouts of America National Jamboree attendee; and

WHEREAS, Daniel King has donated his time and many talents to numerous charitable organizations, including the Sevier County Food Ministry, Adopt-A-Highway in Sevier County, the Special Olympics at Ober Gatlinburg Ski Resort, the Sevier Middle School Special Olympics, the Pigeon River Clean-Up Project, the Eugene Huskey Environmental Center, and Hot Meals for Hungry Hearts Food and Ministry Service; he has also served as Angel Tree Committee Chairperson and Toys for Tots Committee Chairperson; and

WHEREAS, a devout Christian, Daniel King is a faithful member of the First Baptist Church of Sevierville, where he has served as a Youth Board Member of the Prayer Committee, Guitarist for the First Baptist and United Methodist Church Youth Ministries, Worship Leader with the Upward Basketball Program, Assistant Sunday School Teacher, a member of the Young Life Program, a member of FAITH: A Christian Leadership Organization, a Volunteer Worker at the Young Life Camp Frontier Ranch, and a volunteer for Young Life Windy Gap Camp; and

WHEREAS, a man with many talents and hobbies, Mr. King enjoys playing the guitar and drums, snow skiing, hiking, camping, flying, and scuba diving; he is an advanced certified scuba diver, and he recently received the 2005-2006 PADI Rescue Scuba Diver Certification; and

WHEREAS, Daniel King epitomizes the spirit of volunteerism and commitment to service that are characteristic of all true Tennesseans; and

WHEREAS, in the fall, Daniel King plans to attend Belmont University, where he will pursue a career in music and business; and

WHEREAS, Mr. King's noteworthy academic and civic achievements are a tremendous source of pride for his parents, Danny and Liz King, his school, and his community; and

WHEREAS, Daniel King's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby recognize and commend Daniel Rhodes King, Jr., offering our deepest wishes for his every future success and happiness.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.